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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-eighth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Chapter 302

AN ACT Relating to Beneficial Devises, Bequests and Legacies to Subscribing Witnesses.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 169, § 1, amended. Section one of chapter 169 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Will, by whom and how made. A person of sound mind and of the age of 21 years and a married person, widow or widower of any age may dispose of his real and personal estate by will, in writing, signed by him, or by some person for him at his request and in his presence, and subscribed in his presence by 3 credible attesting witnesses ~~not beneficially interested under said will~~. All beneficial devises, bequests and legacies to a subscribing witness are void except that if such interested witness would be entitled to any share of the estate in case the person making the will had died intestate, he shall take only that part of the devise or bequest made to him in the will that equals but does not exceed in value the share of the estate of the person making the will which he would have taken if such person had died intestate.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 303

AN ACT Relating to Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 25, § 145, amended. Section 145 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 145. Fluoride in public waters; authorization. No such public utility or agency shall add any fluoride to any such water supply without first having been authorized to do so by the municipality or municipalities served by it. Any public utility or agency duly authorized to add fluoride to any water supply shall do so within 9 months after being notified in accordance with the provisions of this section. The town or city clerk shall, within 10 days after the vote, notify the public utility or agency of the vote favoring the addition of fluoride to the public water supply. In the case of a city, such authorization shall be by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at a regular or special city election. In the case of a town or plantation, such authorization shall be by a majority vote of the inhabitants present at an annual town or plantation meeting. In the case of a public utility or agency serving more than one municipality, such authorization shall be by a majority vote of the voters voting at such city election and a majority vote of the inhabitants present at an annual town or plantation meeting of each town or plantation served by such public utility or agency; ~~provided, however, that authorization~~ Authorization by municipalities representing 80% of the customers served by such public utility or agency shall be sufficient. Whenever a municipality shall have approved fluoridation it may not again vote on the matter for a minimum period of 2 years from the date of installation of fluoride. The Public Utilities Commission, upon application, shall determine and allocate the cost of such fluoridation among the customers of such public utility